

Greetings from the Governors

Dear Parents,

Due to a change in my career, I have had to take the difficult decision to step down from the Governing Body and relinquish my role as Chair of Governors. It is a role I have had an immense privilege to fill for many years. I have found it very rewarding to see how your children have developed whilst they have been at Croft and I always found Leavers Assemblies very special and felt very proud when we listened to the achievements that the children had made whilst at Croft.

I want to thank you all for all your support and kindness that you have always shown me. Ofsted always commented on the strong bond between parents and the school and it's something I always wanted to do personally, to ensure that the school has a good relationship with parents and carers.

I know with your continued support the school will go from strength to strength.

Very Best Wishes

Kind regards, Steve Carroll, former Chair of Governors

Parents Evenings

We look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to meet your child's teacher on **Tuesday 14th or Thursday 16th November** to find out about the progress your child has made this term.

If you have not yet received a specific appointment time, please check in your child's bag for the yellow slip. Can't find it? Don't worry – just have a word with the teacher and a mutually convenient time will be arranged.

Our speech and language therapist, **Victoria Crooks**, will be in the main hall on Tuesday evening – no appointment needed. She will be on hand to answer any queries you may have about speech and language development and she has a wealth of tips and advice to help.

Attendance Challenge

Results for the week 30th October - 3rd November:

Position	Class	Attendance
1st	6MB	99.68%
2nd	1R	98.33%
3rd	5D	98.06%

Whole school attendance
96.88↓

Number of late arrivals
18↑



**School success starts
 with attendance**

The number of minutes of learning lost due to lateness this week is **4 hours and 4 minutes**

Remembrance Day



We have a wide range of poppy themed items, provided by the British Legion, for sale in the school office. Please pop in and have a look at what's on offer.

On **Friday 10th November at 11.00am**, we will hold our annual act of remembrance on the school playground. Each class is decorating a letter with poppies to spell out the words 'Remember Them' and

Foundation Stage children are making a poppy wreath. Mr Bonser will play the Last Post and a period of silence will be observed. All parents and carers have an open invitation to join us for this important occasion.

Thank you (1)

Thank you very much for your kind donations of tinned and packet foods for the Harvest collection shortly before the half-term holiday.

Mrs Stride delivered several boxes and bags full of goodies to Mansfield Soup Kitchen, and the team of volunteers were absolutely delighted to receive them. Check out their Facebook page to see their thank you message to Croft.



Thank you (2)

Last Friday's Pyjama Day was a great success with a superb total of **£408.33** raised for Rachel Lucas, auntie to Thea in Y5. Once again, the Croft community has demonstrated real warmth, generosity and kindness. Rachel has sent a lovely thank you card to school; we wish her all the very best for the future.

Diary Dates - 8th November 2017

NOVEMBER 2017

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| Monday 13 th November | - Anti-Bullying Week |
| Tuesday 14 th November | - Parents Evening 4.00pm - 6.00pm |
| Wednesday 15 th November | - Flu Sprays for FS and Y1 to Y4 |
| Thursday 16 th November | - Parents Evening 4.00pm - 7.00pm |
| Friday 17 th November | - 'Wear Blue for Anti-Bullying' (No money needed) |
| Friday 17 th November | - Children in Need Cake Sale (20p per cake) |
| Monday 20 th November | - Y6 visit to the Holocaust Centre (Returning at 3.30pm) |
| Wednesday 22 nd November | - Y4 visit to York (Returning at 5.00pm) |
| Wednesday 29 th November | - Staff & Governor Meeting in hall at 3.45pm |

DECEMBER 2017

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| Thursday 7 th December | - Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance in the hall at 2.00pm |
| Friday 8 th December | - Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance in the hall at 11.00am |
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| Monday 11 th December | - Y6 DARE Graduation in school hall at 11.15am |
| Tuesday 12 th December | - Y5 & Y6 Christmas Party at 1.30pm |
| Wednesday 13 th December | - Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party at 1.30pm |
| Thursday 14 th December | - Y3 & Y4 Christmas Party at 1.30pm |
| Thursday 14 th December | - FS, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Disco in hall 5.00pm - 6.30pm |
| Friday 15 th December | - FS Christmas Party at 1.30pm |
| Friday 15 th December | - KS2 A Christmas Truce at Sutton Academy - 2.30pm |
| Monday 18 th December | - FS Winter Wonderland Concert in hall at 3.00pm |
| Tuesday 19 th December | - KS2 A Christmas Truce at Sutton Academy - 2.30pm |
| Wednesday 20 th December | - Christmas Dinner |
| Thursday 21 st December | - KS2 Christmas Disco in hall 5.00pm - 7.00pm |
| Friday 22 nd December | - Last day at school |

FUTURE INSET DATES

- Monday 26th February 2018
- Friday 25th May 2018
- Monday 4th June 2018